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PROMICARS, VESSELS, AND WAGONS, (YESTBRDAY.)

FLOTE, Super. \$5 25 @ \$0 00

Do Extra. \$5 62 @ \$75

Do Family 675 @ 8 00

WHEAT, White 1 30 @ 1 35

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WHEAT, White 1 22 @ 1 24

COSS, White 0 75 @ 0 80

Do Mixed 0 75 @ 0 85

Do Wixed 0 76 @ 0 85

Do Yellow 0 80 @ 0 85

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COMMERCE, Phushel 0 80 @ 0 00

OATS 0 35 @ 0 36

UATS 0 78 @ 6 80

RYE 0 1 40 @ 0 00

SCHALE & hundred 1 25 @ 0 00

SCHALE & hundred 1 25 @ 0 00 FLAXSEED PLASTER, Lump, retail, delivered

REMARKS.—The market opened with less acuvity, and a falling off in the receipts of grain. the receipts of Flour improved, and about one mousand barrels were brought down the Orange and Alexandria and Manassas Gap Railroads Prices opened at a decline, and we quote nominal-\$5.25 for Superfine, with a very limited enquire. Nothing of any importance doing in Extra family, and quotations given above are unalterad Receipts of Wheat very light, and prices indicate a slight improvement. We note sales of fair and good white at 130(cc 135c., and red at 122 @124c. Corn has also improved, and the receipts are better. Sales of new white at 74(a.75c., and old at 50/d 52c, by weight. Rye 75@ 50c., and in fair request and supply. In Oats, there is a little better feeling, with sales at 35@36c. Pork is quiet and unchanged. No decline in Salt, and stocks still light. Apples are still scurce at \$2.25 \$2.50. Wool is unchanged, with very light recepts. Business generally is brisk, but money scatinues searce.

The Markets.

Baltimore, Dec. 12.—Flour closed dull; Howard street \$5.25(4.85.37. Wheat closed heavy and unchanged; Southern white 130@1450. Corn elo-sed higher: yellow has advanced 2@3c., closing at 76@78c.; white is dull at 65@70c. Provisions at 76@78c.; white is dull at 65@70c. Provisions alosed steady; mess park \$16.25; prime \$10.50@ \$11; bacon sides 10c. Whiskey closed steady at

New York, Dec. 12 .- Cotton closed firm. sales of 1,000 bales. Flour has declined 5c.; State \$5.05@\$5.15; Ohio \$5.70@\$5.80; Southers \$5.60% \$5.75. Wheat closed firm; sales of \$.000 bush; Southern red 1321c. Corn closed firm; sales of 21,000 bush; new white at \$5@90c; yellow \$7@90c.; old do. 95c. Pork closed heavy; mess \$16.37@\$16.50. Whiskey 26c. Sugar closed firm: sales of 5,500 bbls. of Brazil at 7c.; Muscorado 7c. Spirits of Turpentine closed steady at 441(d 15e. Rosin closed firm at 155c. Rice closed steady at 31@42.

New YORK, December 10,—The receipts from customs on Thursday, were \$45,553; yesterday \$230,249; total amount in the Subtreasury \$5,-

The stock market was rather heavy to-day Mesouri sixes closed at 831, 1 advance. Virgin-n's were principally sold at 924, but a small lot brought 93. Tennessee sixes closed at 90, and North Carolina at 97. The money market was more stringent, the prevailing rates being six to six and a half \$\mathre{D}\$ cent. The amount of dry goods thrown on the marke

during the week, was \$533,134. ALMANAC.

DECEMBER. ciece. sein. Meon's PHASES. 13 Tuesday...... 7 20 4 40 14 Wednesday 7 20 4 40 Lastqr... 16 4 12 s. 15 Thursday 7 21 4 39 New 24 12 40 M. 7 21 4 39 First qr.. 1 5 42 M. 7 21 4 39 Full 8 10 14 M. 16 Friday. 17 Saturday HIGH WATE 19 Monday 7 21 4 39 DECEMBER 13, 9h. 28m

MARINE LIST.

PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-DECEMBER 12.

ARRIVED. Schr. Ann D., Newton, New York, merchandise to James C. Nevett.
Sehr. Yorktown, Woglam, New York, general

Schr. Mist, Dissoway, New York, to James C. Schr. Butterfly, Hubbard, Port Deposite, lumber to Smoot, Uhler & Co.
Sohr, Bdward S. Lamden, Wheatly, Baltimore,

lumber to Smoot, Thier & Co. Schr. Sarah Woodbridge, Atkins, Salem, plaste to Casenove & Co. Sehr. Boulah E. Sharp. Mayhow, Philadelphia

coal to Wise & Co. Schr. L. P. Phare, Cranmer, New York, to T. J. Nehaffey. Sehr. Triumph, Arts, Boston, to T. J. Mehaffey.

Sohr. R. L. Tay, Sheppard, Boston, to T. . Mehaffey. Sehr. John Compton, Shinn, Washington, to T J. Mehaffey. Schr. Rodella Blew, Peterson, Boston, to T. J

Mehaffey. Schr. Angeline Vanclief, Lemmon, Richmond, to T. J. Mobaffey. Sehr. Iram Smith, McGivern, Fall River, to

Borden Mining Co. Sehr. Monteville, Paukinburg, Providence, t Schr. E. A. Anderson, Cranmer, New York, to

M. Eldridge & Co. Schr. Joseph Holmes, Mathews, New York, to M. Eldridge & Co. Steamer Columbia, Harper, Baltimore, to Wheat

SAILED. Schr. Hamilton, Ogden, New York, by S. Shinn. MENORANDA. Barque P. C. Alexander, Merryman, from Som

brero Island, with guano, arrived in Hampton Roads, 10th inst. Sehr. Mary, Smith, cl'd at New York, for Pred eticksburg, 10th inst.
Scht. Robert Franklin, Clarke, hence at Nor-

feik, 10th inst. Schr. Virginia. Davis, from this port, arrived at New York, 11th inst. Schr. Lillie, Saunders, from Georgetown, for

Providence, arrived at New York, 11th inst. Steamer J. Jerome, Jerome, cl'd at Philadelbis, for this port, 11th inst.

The state of CANAL COMMERCE. ARRIVED, Pecember 12.

Boat- G. W. H. Hetzer, Mary Martens, Old Do Sinion, Wild Kate, S. E. McDounld, Martha Sanks, Martin Hoffmen, Gen. Simpson, L'tica, M. Treiber, D. Morrisey, Hopewell, Henry Clay, June and Young America, coal to T. J. Mohaffey, Boats Democrat, and Lilly Dale, coal to Ameri

Boats Thomas Sheridan, and James W. Cross, coal to Borden Mining Co. Boat Liberty, coal to Frostburg Coal Co.

FOR NEW YORK! THE NEW YORK AND VIRGINIA SCREW STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S New and Elegant Steame

F. C. SMITH, Commander,
YESDAY, 14th December, at 9 o'clock, A. M.
N. B.—Shipperk will please note that this is the

vely direct line of Steamers between this port and New York. freight received every day at the Company's bepot, and forwarded free of commission.

neurance on Goods chipped by this Line, can be

Stefed, if desired, af ? premium. For freight or passage, having unsurpassed uc-

commodations, apply to FOWLE & CO., Alexandria. ootner West and Albaby streets, New York.

FOR RENT. - The STORE, on the corner of King and Pitt streets, now in the occupan King and Pitt streets, now in the occupan-W. A. Hart, together with the rooms above, pad belan an fritt food sheet family. The STORE is a good one, and well located for any kind of business, and to a punctual tenant, the rent will be low. Possess dec 13—colm HENRY CHATHAM. BUSINESS AND OVERCOATS.—A good assolvent of BUSINESS and OVERCOATS,
which will be sold at reduced prices.

WILLIAM D. MASSEY.

Curing Meat by Injection of Brine. TALLAHASSEE, Nov. 8, 1859.

Editors of Southern Culticator, Augusta, Ga. Sirs-A late number of your journal, containing a letter of mine to the editors of Floridin & Journal of this city, on the "new method" of curing meat, first practiced in this country by my friend, the late Lewis De-Conte, of Liberty County, Ga., in which you add the request that I would describe the process plainly and intelligibly, has been shown me by a friend. I attempt compliance the more cheerfully, as I shall at the same time be answering similar requests from individuals from different parts of the country, and regret that professional engage-

ments have prevented my doing so before. This is an invention or discovery of incalculable value to our Southern farmers especially. I have so regarded it for years; and nothing but an incorrigible aversion to the use of the pen-which I trust, will satisfactorily explain any want of perspicuity in this effort -- has kept me from making it known to them through the public prints

The mixture used for salting, is a saturated solution of common salt, or, rather Key West or Turk's Island salt, which is better. being made of solar evaporation. Cold water will dissolve as much salt as warm, and. as the injection ought to be made cold, had better be used. When the water has dissolved so much salt that it will float an egg, I

think the brine is strong enough. The best instrument for the purpose is one that will throw a continuous, uninterrupted stream. Mr. LeConte used the patent pump syringe, with elastic tube. The artery in a hog is too small to admit the extremities (usually of ivory or bone,) with the common syringe. He therefore made and used a aden one for the purpose. The hog is killed by a blow on the head

and bled by cutting down to the caroted artery and opening it. In this latter operation, the bleeding, lies the greatest difficulty of the whole process. The caroted arteries, for there are two, (I am writing for those who are presumed not to be familiar with anatomy,) lie on each side of the windpipe. and may be distinctly felt pulsating, in the human subject, by holding the head up and pressing with the fingers. An opening made in one of these vessels will let all the blood run out that is necessary. A fat hog has a very thick and comparatively short neck, and the arteries lie deeply imbedded and difficult of access. The trouble of getting at the artery to bleed and throw in the fluid, will be found considerable. The incision to reach the artery should be made as near the head as possible. I would advise that inexperienced persons experiment first with a sheep or beef. The arteries in these lie nearer the surface, and their necks are comparatively longer. When the hog is bled, scalded, and the hair taken off, the brain may be injected through the artery. The blood-vessel can be so distended with the fluid as to bloat and swell the whole animal. but I think when the circuit has been completed that is sufficient. This can easily be determined by observing the jugular vein which lies alongside, and in the same sheath with the artery. When the fluid falls back through the vein, the animal may be considered thoroughly salted, and may, as soon as convenient, be cut up and smoked. More experience than I have, is required to regulate some points in the process, as, for example, how salt the brine may be made to cure the meat, and yet not be too salt to be palpatable, and the proper proportion of salt petre or such articles as may be used to give the desirable, red color.

I am, with respect, very truly, yours, G. TROUPE MAXWELL.

The Union Meeting in New York The Committee appointed to make arrangements for a "Union Meeting," in New York, have agreed on the following call:

"The undersigned, regarding with just abhorence the crimes of John Brown and his confederates, desire to unite with our fellowcitizens of New York and vicinity, in a publie and formal denunciation of that and all similar outrages, and to declare our unalterable purpose to stand by the Constitution in all its parts, as interpreted by the Supreme Court of the United States; and we hereby denounce as unpatriotic and untrue, revolutionary and dangerous, the idea of an irrepressible conflict existing between the two great sections of our beloved Union. On the contrary, we maintain that the North and South were created for each other; that there is a natural and necessary affinity between them, by parentage, history, religion, language, and geographical position; and that even their different climates and different forms of industry, add strength to this bond of Union, by enabling them to supply each others wants. And we hereby solemnly pledge ourselves, from this hour, by our fluence, our example, our votes, and by every other proper means, to discountenance and opose sectionalism in all its forms. Those of our fellow-citizens who share these sentiments with us, are requested to join us in a public expression of the same, at such time and place as shall be designated by this Committee. (Signed) James W. Beekman. Watts Sherman, M. Morgan, Gerard Hallock, William H. Appleton, Samuel L. M. Barlow, Joshua J. Henry, James T. Soutter, Wilson G. Hunt, E. E. Morgan, Benj. M. Whitlock, James Brooks, Henry Grinnell, Alex. T. Stewart, Committee.

During the speech of Hon. Caleb Cushing, at the Union meeting in Boston, on Thursday, in speaking of the fanatical misrule in that State, he said: "A party of drunken mutineers have seized hold

of the control of the ship of State. Where is the helmsman?" [A voice—Burnham.] Here there was one unanimous roar of laughter, in which all persons joined, the of the North to destroy slavery, even in blood; speaker included. Burnham is the liquor from Mr. Seward's "irrepressible conflict" agent of the State, who has lately been imprisoned for refusing to deliver the account

books of his sales. (COMMENICATED. What has become of the Agricultural So-A MEMBER. ciety?

CAVALRY COMPANY. The members will meet at the Office of the Potomae Insurance Company, on Fairfax street, on Wednesday night. at 7 o'clock, for organization. LADIES' FAIR.

The Ladies of St. Mary's Church will o this evening, at Sarepta Hall, a beautiful assortment of useful and fancy articles and toys, suitable for thristmas frifts, to which they all the attention of the public. They will also have on hand a bountiful supply of cakes and contectionary of all kinds, and they refer to their efforts, on previous occasions, as evidence, that nothing will be omitted which can contribute to the entertain-

ment of visitors.

The object of the fair is to assist the Young Catholics' Priend Society in paying a debt con-tracted in the election of St. Mary's Itali. Season Tickets 50 cents; single do, 10 cents.

dec 12-6t THOMAS M. LAKE, is a candidate for the office of Commissioner of Revenue for the Northeast histglet in the County of Fauquier, to be voted for at the election to be held on the fourth Thurday in May, 1860, and solicits the support of the Fauquier county, sep 15--wte

TO We are authorised to announce Colonel AMES THATPT, as a candidate for the Sherifialty f Fairfas county, at the ensuing Spring election. Fairfax county, nov 29-eo2w

FINE STOCK OF ENGLISH BED BLAN-A KRTS, just received; also, Some superb KNIT HALF HOSE, for gentlemen, perhaps the best article ever offered in the market. [dec 10-3t] J. M. STEWART. CHAMPION SKIRTS, a strip ontroly new, the cier the usual doo 10 72 King street, been read. CONGRESS.

REPORTED FOR THE ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

Mr. Trumbull, of Illinois, presented memorial, asking the charter of a company for the construction of a Passenger Railway from Georgetown to the Capitol, along Pennsylvania avenue.

Mr. Doolittle, of Wisconsin, presented a memorial of R. Reynolds, asking a pension. Mr. Trumbull, of Illinois, presented the memorial of the officers of the Navy Yard at Washington, asking an appropriation to improve 8th street, near the Navy Yard. Mr. Davis, of Mississippi, offered the fol-

owing:Resolved, That a committee be appointed to notify the President of the United States that the Senate is ready for the transaction of business.

He stated that the adoption of the resolution was necessary to enable the President to send to the Senate certain nominations for desired to make.

Davis, of Mississippi, Crittenden, of Kentucky, and Foot, of Vermont, appointed said when Mr. Adams was placed in the Chair, when the House was similarly situated. Mr. Bigler, of Pennsylvania, called up the

to officiate in opening the daily sessions of the Senate with prayer.

Mr. Wilson, of Massachusetts, declared

that he wished the Senate opened by an in-vocation of the Divine blessing, and he thought the most proper manner of doing it. was by the appointment of a chaplain, upon whose regular services the Senate might depend, and who should be paid for his atten-

Mr. Bigler, of Pennsylvania, urged a similar method of securing prayer at the opening of each session. Mr. Bright, of Indiana, suggested that the

resolution should be amended. Mr. Bigler consented to so amend his reso lution as to provide that on Thursday next the Senate go into an election of chaplain,

and the resolution as amended was adopted. Mr. Iverson (rising to a personal explanation) proceeded to make some remarks upon what he considered the unsoundness of a portion of the Democratic party in the North

on the slavery question. Mr. Bigler, of Pennsylvania, was amazed at the position taken by the Senator from leorgia, in denouncing the Northern Demo-

ratic party as rotten.

Mr. Iverson said that he had especially xcepted the sound Democrats. He had poken only of the rottenness of that portion Senator Douglas upon the Territorial ques-

Mr. Bigler,-"The rottenness of the Demir, they call us dough-faces, subservent to he South upon every occasion. "The Demoeracy of the North, he argued were bound to the South, not only by the compacts of the Constitution, but by every tie that could join men in unity. He expressed his dissent from some of the opinions of Senator Douglas, but contended that the common law of this country, and the Fugitive Slave Law, would, in his opinion, afford ample protection for slavery in the Territories. If the party. Territorial Legislature transcended its jurisdiction, it was for the Courts to afford a

petiding. But if the Democrats of the South-Convention. He now merely served notice upon these gentlemen, that if questions could oring out their position, it should be brought

Mr. Iverson said he would answer the gentleman to his heart's content whenever pportunity was afforded. The resolution of Mr. Mason, of Virginia, elative to the Harper's Ferry invasion, was

Mr. Johnson, of Tenn., contended that the were only considered equal to three white So far then as political power was concerned, slavery was not an element of strength,

of the Senator from Illinois, (Mr. Trumbull, relative to the equality of the negro. but that when political society came to be formed, both were reduced to an inferior would never tolerate it.

Mr. Johnson continued his remarks, showng, by quoting from the elder Adams, who refused subscription to a College in Tennes-England were hereafter to be enemies; from millions of men reared to habits of industry, John Quincy Adams, indicating the partiese were more than able to cope with eight milspeech; as showing the purpose of the North to subjugate the South. He denied that there was a conflict between free labor and slave labor. The conflict was between labor nays 111. and capital, and the free laborer found his natural ally in the owner of slave labor. Both were interested in keeping the price of labor at a high rate. Capital at the North was the oppressor of labor. He further urged that there was a purpose in the mind of taken. suppress servile insurrection, to treat the insurrectionists as an organization, make a treaty with them, and abolish slavery under the treaty-making power. He proceeded to review the course of John Brown in Kansas,

blood long before any injury had been done Mr. Doolittle of Wis, explained what be had said in reference to Brown He denied any sympathics with Brown's deeds. He had merely alluded to Kansas to show in what school John Brown learned to take

blood.

showing that Brown had begun his deeds of

Mr. Johnson continued his remarks, say ing that John Brown had gone to Kansas. not to learn, but to teach lessons of blood. At the conclusion of the lengthy speech of tr. Jahnson. Mr. Davis, of Miss, from the committee

appointed to wait upon the President of the uited States, reported that on to-morrow the President desired to make to the Senate a communication of an executive character. And, on motion of Mr. Mallory, of Fig., the Senate, at 31 o'clock, adjourned,

House of Representatives.
The clerk called the House to order at the the usual hour. After the Journal had

Mr. Kilgore of Ind. said that it was the universal desire of members on that side of the House, to have all discussion cease, and proceed to ballot for Speaker. They did

at that time submit any remarks. At the request of Mr. Maynard, he yielded to that gentleman for the purpose of allowing

him to offer a resolution. Mr. Maynard, of Tennessee after referring to the fact of the House having been in session a week, and during that time only three ballots for Speaker had, at the same time referring to the confusion which existed at times in the Hall, without the proper authority to restore order, and in order that there might be a sufficient power to preserve order, he offered the following resolution: Resolved, That the oldest member of this

House by constructive service be, and he is hereby, appointed to the chair, to preside until the election of Speaker. Several members objected to its considera-

tion as being out of order. Mr. Maynard proceeded to urge very Federal offices, which it was understood he cibly the adoption of his resolution, contending that the dignity of the House required The resolution was adopted, and Messrs, its adoption, and referred to the precedent,

Mr. Grow of Pennsylvania, stated that the reason of the precedent to which the gentleresolution offered by him on Thursday last, man referred was because the Clerk declined requesting the clergymen of Washington to put questions, or preside at all over the Mr. Maynard stated that the Clerk in the

present case had retused to decide points of order; and it was necessary that they might proceed quietly and in order, that the points of order raised should be decided by the one presiding.
Mr. Siewart, of Md., advocated in an

hour's speech the adoption of the resolution,

on the ground of necessity.

Mr. Haskin of N.Y., rose to a privileged question. He desired to reply to an antiele in the Constitution, which is recognized as the home organ of the President. He did not usually notice little things, but as it was understood that the paper was edited by President Buchanan and Attorney General Black-that, shielding themselves in this way, he could not help noticing this article.

The New York Herald was the personal organ of the President; but he could not but give it the credit for the enterprise it displayed, which was not the case with the ormer-very often, however he was very sorry to say in misrepresenting facts. He then refered to the article which related to the action of the anti-Lecompton Democrats of the House, styling them traitors, &c. In reply to the charge against the Anti-Lecomptonites he would say no one knew the falsity of it better than Mr. Buchanan himself, for he the party that maintain the doctrines of tried by every corrupt means to swerve those honest men from what they considered their duty. As to their being false to their pledges in regard to himself he would say that during cratic party!" the Senator can scarcely the Congressional canvass in his district, he ealize how that falls upon my ear. Why, attered the same sentiments as he had expressed since he has been in Washington .--He denied that he had not acted up to all the pledges he had made in 1856. He was a friend of Col. Forney for Clerk; there was no man whose election would go further to rebuke the corruption of this Administra-

tion, than that of Mr. Forney.
Mr. Noell, of Mo., addressed the House. He attacked Mr. Hickman, and declared that he was not a member of the Democratic

Mr. Hickman, of Pennsylvania said that abler men than the gentleman from Missonremedy, and when the Courts decided the ri had tried to drive him from the Democratremedy, that remedy must be enforced by ic party and failed. Since he had supported the whole power of the Federal Government. the resolutions of investigation into the con-Mr. Pugh, of Ohio, was disposed to treat duct of the administration those efforts had cause of Virginia with respect, and, been unceasing. He declared that Mr. therefore, would consider no other subject Buchanan, previous to his election, had whilst the resolutions of her Senator were pledged himself to prominent men in Pennsylvania, that Kansas should come into the ern States held the sentiments of the Senator Union as a free State. That pledge carried from Georgia, he wanted to know it; and he the State of Pennsylvania for him, in the wanted to know it before the Charleston last Presidential election. Mr. Buchanan changed his policy, when he came to Washington, not from sense of right, but because he feared the secession of some of the States, if Kansas came in free. He denied that he had made any contract to secure the election of Mr. Forney, saving "as Mr. Buchanan could not purchase me, neither can this side of the House. (Applause.) I have already been offered more than I was worth, and have refused it." (Laughter.) The North had grave charges to bring against negro was not recognized as the equal of the the South, and it would have them answered. white man by the Declaration of Indepen- The South had made half dozen compromises. dence. He quoted the Constitution as show- and violated them all. It had sought to reing that in the view of its framers, five slaves open the slave trade, and sought to plant slavery in Kansas. These charges were to man in federal representation. He urged be answered not merely now and here, but at that if all men were born equal, the Senator other times and places. They will have to from Illinois should set about amending the answer them at the election next year .--Constitution of his own State, which degra-ded the negroes resident within it. The ideas or leave federal offices. (Applause and Northern free negroes, slaves without mas- a cry of "good.") "If I am constrained to ters, were fully represented in Congress, choose between that party that will carry while the Southern negroes only counted slavery where it has no right, and that party three-lifths in federal representation. Were that will refuse it admission where it has these negroes free, the South would increase right, I can't help it." There is no sentiher representation in the other Chamber, 16. ment at the North which can stand on Southern policy and live. As to disunion, if it meant a disunion of sentiment, that point out of weakness. He attacked the doctrine had already been reached, for Northern men could not travel in the South, and letters bearing his frank might be broken open by Mr. Trumbull, of Ill., said that by nature the Postmaster of a country village under both women and negroes were equal to men: pretence that they were incendiary. If it meant a disunian of territory, the North

Mr. Gartrell, of Georgia-How will the

North prevent it? Mr. Hickman replied that the North was as courageous as the South, and with the see, on the ground that the South and New modern appliances of civilization, eighteen

lions of men without those appliances. Mr. Hickman continued at some length At the conclusion of his speech, Mr. Clark. of Missouri, moved that the House adjourn, which motion was not agreed to year 103

It was proposed that the House ballot for Mr. Clark, of Missouri, declared that the

house must vote upon his resolution before he would consent that a ballot should be Northern statesman, that when the Federal Mr. Gartrell, of Georgia, moved that the Government was called upon by States to House adjourn. The base refused to call the year and nays upon the motion, and at

> OST. On Friday evening last, in the North A part of the city, a boy's BLACK RIBBED CLOTH OVERCOAT, with Black Silk Velvet Collar. The finder will be liberally rewarded, by returning it to my residence, on Washington, cor per of Oronoco street

o o'clock adjourned,

SERVANTS FOR HIRE FOR THE YEAR 1860. A Country BLACES MITH, about 25 years old; a WOMAN, first rate Seamstress, cook, and dury maid: a WOMAN, good plain cook, washer and ironer; a GIRL, useful servets.

M. MASON.
Rose Hill, Fanfax County, Vn., dec 12—dtJaul

DRY COWS.—Persons having DRY COWS for sale, by leaving their names at Mr. Chatham's Stable may mert with a purchaser. M. MASON. Rose Hill, Fairfax County, Va., dec 13-dtJanl COAL OIL LAMPS.—A further supply of the

ton's Burners, Chimneys, Wicks, &c., just received, and for sale by
12 mo 1 P. P. N. Likit. SON & CO. 50 BBCS. PRIME MERCER POTATOES, fur free received from Nava Scotia, for sale by FOWLE & CO.

ARD. -30 kegs No. 1 FAMILY LARD, for L sale by [nov 23] J. N. HARPER & CO. | the cars from the track.

LOCAL ITEMS.

MEETING AT THE CORN EXCHANGE .- EN-COURAGEMENT TO HOME MANUFACTURES .- DI-RECT IMPORTATION .- At the suggestion of several of our business men, an informal meeting of the merchants was held at the orn Exchange, vesterday morning. M. Y. Partlow was called to the Chair, and L. E. Green appointed Secretary. The meeting having been called to order, Geo. D. Fowle explained the object to be to give some exression to the opinion of the citizens of Altandria in regard to the protection of Home Industry and Southern Manufactures, and to facilitate direct importations with the cities of Virginia in general, and Alexandria especially. In order to attain the object of the meeting, and to give full expresthat a committee of seven be appointed by the Chair to prepare resolutions to be submitted to a meeting of all the business men of the city, who are requested to meet at the Corn Exchange, to-morrow, at 12 o'clock, M. The Chair thereupon appointed the following gentlemen to prepare the resolutions referred to: G. K. Witmer, G. D. Fowle, C. F. Suttle, T. S. Jamieson, D. G. Meade, and J. H. McVeigh. The meeting then adjourned until Wednesday, at 12 o'clock, when it will be held at the Corn Exchange.

FATAL Accident .- During the squall of Wednesday evening last, as the schooner Victor, Capt. Edward Marks, was on the Potomac river, between Budd's Ferry and Sandy Point, Mr. Daniel Bruce, a passenger on board, was accidentally knocked overboard by the fore-boom, and drowned. All efforts save him proved unavailing, as the wind was blowing furiously at the time, and Mr. Bruce was unable to swim. His body has not yet been recovered. The deceased was about 32 years of age, and bore an irreproachable character. At the request of his friends, we subjoin a description of his person, and say that any one finding the body giving it decent burial, and notifying Mrs. Vancy Bruce, Hampstead P.O., King George County. Va. will be rewarded for their kind-'The deceased was tall and spare in person; of a fair complexion, with brown hair, light reddish beard, and about 32 years trip to this port next, Saturday. of age; wore, at the time of drowning, a black cloth overcont with velvet collar, pants of faded brown cassimere, and had on his feet a pair of low-quartered calf-skin shoes, with brass eyelet-holes. He is supposed to have had in his pocket a port monaie, and a small buckskin purse, with iron clasp, con- street, taining about \$26, principally in bank notes and silver, and the key of his carpet-bag."

THE STEAMER MOUNT VERNON.-The steamer Mount Vernon, of the New York and Virginia Serew Steamship line, reached this city on Sunday night. As we mentioned some days since, the Mount Vernon grounded during the heavy northwest gale on last Wednesday night, about Si o'clock, off Maryland Point. She remained aground on the shoot until ten minutes past 3 o'clock on Sunday afternoon, when a rise in the tide, and the aid afforded by a couple of steam tugs, enabled her to get safely into maviga-ble water. About half the steamer's cargo had to be taken from her and sent back ! this city in lighters, and the steamer also returned. The hands were engaged yesterday in restoring the cargo. No damage was sustained by the vessel or cargo. The steamer will leave for New York at 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Balloon Ascension.—Loss or a Large Brown was in Boston, assisting the mob that enhas been hawking miniature balloons, made of beautiful French silk india-rubber, about the streets, for several days past, met with the loss of his "stock in trade" yesterday have reached the western foot of "Divide," 267 afternoon. While attempting to loosen one for a purchaser, he let slip from his hand the main string, when the entire number, about fifty, shot into the air like a rocket, and soon disappeared in a south-easterly direction, leaving the owner looking most disconsolate as his treasure gradually disappeared from his sight, but affording great amusement to a crowd of boys who had congregated around witnessed the ascension, that attracted the attention of persons for squares around. SABBATH SERVICES. We learn, with pleasure, that the services, on Sunday last, in the Second Presbyterian Church, in this city, under the pastoral care of the Rev. James Turner Leftwitch, were most solemn and

impressive, and that the results attending the late revival in that Church were seen in the addition of 19 or 20 adults, on probation, with 4 or 5 on cortificate from other Churches. This was the first time since the ordination of Mr. L., that he has officiated on a sacramental occasion, and it must have been one of profound interest, as well as of sin- 1st cents. cere gratitude, that he should thus early be blessed in the service of his Divine master. and that so many souls should be given him as "seals" to his ministry.

Washington Items. - It is understood that during the present week, instructions will be ledge for the people, price 12 cours -part 8 now issued for the re-organization of the militia of the District of Columbia. For a long time dis-atisfaction has existed in that once fine volunteer regiment, and this measure may have the effect to restore harmony.

In the Georgetown Mayoralty case, the jury were out about two hours on Saturday, but not being able to agree, by consent of court and counsel they were permitted to retire to their homes, and assemble again on Monday

morning, for a final verdict.

Hon, Vice President Breckenridge now resides in the splendid new dwelling of Jonah D. Hoover, esq., on G, near 15th street north,

THE POTOMAC. The National Intelligencer is entirely mistaken in asserting that the Potomac is "one of the worse buoyed and lighted rivers in the country." intrary of this is the case. There is no river on the continent better broyed or better lighted than the Potomac, and the ease and perfect safety in navigating it, by the moys and lights, is the constant remark of ary, price 182 or \$3 per year a very hand-one all skillful navigators. In nine cases out of ten, when vessels get aground in the river, it is owing to the want of a proper knowledge of misplacement of a buoy.

NAVIGATION. The weather for the past week has been threatening to river and caual navigation. Ice formed several nights in the docks and along the shores of the Potomac. A large number of coal vessels ar- ly Magazine, London News, Flag, Pictorial, Brorived here during Saturday night and Sunday; and some which came up on Sunday night, report having run through much ice in the river below. The Canal has been fro-zen over, and at Cumberland on Thursday and Friday, persons were skating upon it. Numbers of boots were loaded, and waiting for a change of weather, to come down.

C. & O. Caxat. - The change in the wea ther has somewhat checked the activity of business upon the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. During the week ending Saturday, 79 boats arrived at Georgetown, bringing 6,700 tons of coal: 7 from other points, with flour and grain, and 11 with limestone, word. &c. The receipts for tolls at the beorgetown collector's office for the same period, amount to \$2,750, as follows: Ascending trade, \$211; and descending \$2,544.

As Accident. - The noon down train on the Alexandria and Washington Hadroad yestesday, tan over a dog near the Poor House lane. The accident did not throw tent on of dealers.

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THE FAIRS .- The Riflemen's Fair at American Hall and the Fair of the Young Catholie's Friends' Society at Sarenta Hall were

well attended last night. Both present many and rare attractions, and both deserve liberal patronage. The Riflemen's Fair closes tomorrow night. So far it has proved highly successful. The company appeared in their overcoats at the fair last night, and went through a dress parade to the delight

THE ALEXANDRIA THEATRE. -- An unexpected delay prevented the arrival of the heatrical Company in this city, last night. In consequence, no performance took place at the Alexandria Theatre. On Wednesday evening next, however, the fascinating Miss Jennie Parker, supported by a star company. will appear in Shakspeare's tragedy of "Ry mee and Juliet."

THE WEST AUGUSTA GUARDS.-The West

Augusta Guards, Capt. J. M. Waters, arriv-

ed in Washington, yesterday morning, on

their return home from Charlestown, Va .

where they were on duty several weeks.

They will probably pass through this city, this morning, on their way homewards. THE ALEXANDRIA RIFLEMEN.-The Alexandria Riffemen, Capt. Mayre, appeared in the streets upon parade last night with fuller ranks than ever before. They were the new army overcoats, which, with their skilful manusuvres, gave them the appearance of

CAVALRY COMPANY .- It will be seen by an advertisement in to-day's Gazette, that the members of the new Cavalry Company, proposed to be formed in this city, are requested to meet to-morrow night, at the office of the Potennic Insurance Company, for the purpose of permanently organizing.

veterans. They were accompanied by mar-

tial music and attracted much attention.

THE NEW STEAMER. - The latest intelligence received in this city, by gentlemenconnected with the New York and Virginia Screw Steamship Company, states that it is expected in New York that the new steamer Monticello will leave that city, on her first

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK. We have received the January number of Godey's Lady's Book, very handsomely illustrated, and containing much that is of interest to the Ladies. For sale at Geo. E. French's Book Store, King

BY LAST NIGHT'S MAILS.

The Elmira Gazette says that Haclott, one of the Harper's Ferry insurgents, was formerly con-nected with a gang of horse thieves in that vicini-, and escaped punishment by turning State's evidence.

Hon. Fenner Ferguson, delegate elect to Congress from Nebraska Tetritory in 1858, died on the 11th inst., at his residence in Belleviou, N. T. Mr. Ferguson was been in Nassau, N. Y., in 1814 He served several years in the Michigan Legisla ture, and, in 1804, was appointed by President Pierce, Chief Justice of that Territory, which office he held until the fall of 1857, when he was elected delegate to Congress, and resigned his seat on the

Sunday, with Capt. Farnham, on his way to Goor gia, for the purpose of delivering the Captain to be federal authorities there, to be tried for his complicity in the slave expedition of the yacht

slave, Anthony Burns, The latest advices from the Northern Military

A writer in the New York Herald says John

miles distant from Walla-Walla. ACTING MIDSHIPMEN APPOINTED. - A mong the candidates examined, found qualified, and admitted into the Naval Academy, at the commencement of the late academic year, were the following from this section of the Union, Wm. P. Mason, A. P. Beirne, Wm. him, and who sent up a shout, when they C. Hutter, Henry S. Cooke, Robert A. Camm, Freeman Epes, and A. F. Brady, of Virginia; Jas. H. Sands, and Daniel Carrolt of Md.; and Richard S. Chew, of the District of Co-

> lambia. YEW BOOKS, MAGAZINES AND PAPERS, AT GEORGE SIGGERS' Book and Period cal Store, 75 Prince street, opposite the Gazette

> Office.
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Peterson's National Magazine for January .-This is one of the best numbers ever basued; price ane Horton or the Wife's Marts rdom, and other

Tales, by Jack Brace, price 25 cents. The Child of the Bay, or the Sailor's Protege. Story of England, India, and the Ocean, by Sylvanus Cobb, jr., price 16 cents. Ballou's Bollar Monthly for January, price 12c.

lored Supplement, price 25 cents. The Pictorial Brother Jonathan, for the Holi days, price 12 cents.

Harper's Holiday Supplement, price & conts strong's Pictorial for the Holidays, price 6 ets. Hall's Journal of Health for December, price 6 cents.
The Phoney Phellow for January, price 4 cents.

lack out for Frank Leslie's Illustrated News for this week, it will contain accurate pictures il lustrating the last moments of John Brown, New York Ledger, Mercury, Weekly, New Y lilustrated News, Family Journal, Fing, Waverly True Fing, New York Clipper, Police Gazette, U.S. Police Gazette, Daily and Weekly Herald, Bal more bails Clipper, and every thing else in my

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The Solo Melodist, a standard collection of Songs, Airs, Dances, Murches, &c., arranged for

the Violin, Flute, Ciarismet, Accordeon, &c., &c., price It cents published weekly. Leslie's Hastrated News, New York Illustrated News, New York Ledger, Mercury, Weekly, Waver er Jonathan, New York Cipper, Police Gazette,

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Later from California-Arrival of Gen. Scott NEW YORK, Dec. 12 .- The steamer Atlantic, from California, arrived here this after

Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott comes as a pasenger in the steamer. There is but little news of interest from San Juan Island. The Island, at last adv. ces, was virtually occupied jointly by the troops of the United States and of Great

A Union Flag from Pennsylvania to Virginia PHILADELPHIA, December 12 .- A splend American flag, presented by the ladiorecent Union meeting, is to be sent to Har Henry A. Wise, Governor of Virginia, 85 . present from the Union-loving men of Keystone State, to the Commonwealth . Virginia.

Robbery of a Post Office.

Argusta, Dec. 12:-D. Palmer, it., a., ambrotypist, from St. Louis, robbed the P. Office at Athens, Ga., on Friday night, and then attempted to fire the building. He was arrested, and has confessed his guilt. The money and stamps stolen by him were re-covered. He was lodged in jail.

AUCTION SALES. SHERIFF'S SALE THIS DAY.

Y vartue of a warrant of distress issued in fa B vor of the Alexandria Canal Company, against James R. Wilson, I will offer for sale, by Euction, ON TUESDAY, THE THIRTBENTH DAY or DECEMBER 1859, at noon, the following prothe and Wason, on the Alexandria Canal, tethe Potomac Aqueduct, with their furniture and equipment, the same having been seized and taken nder the said warrant to satisfy root due the said company. Terms cash.
Sale to take place at the said dock.

dec !--cots C. M. CASTLEMAN, D. S.

SHERIFF'S SALE-THIS DAY N TUESDAY, THE THIRTEENTY DE O'CEMBER, 1859, I will sell on the postals ecupied by the Washington Swam Brick Comes ny, in Alexandria county, on the line of the Coiumbian Turnpike, a lot of LUMBER, BRITE, a STEAM ENGINE, a PULVERIZER, and a lot o' other articles, levied on to satisfy an execu rion in my hands. Sale at 10 o'clock, A. M -Terms each. C. M. CASTLEMAN.
dee 9 des Deputy for James Sangster, Sheriff.

PUBLIC SALE .- On Wednesday, December 14th, 1859, if fair, if not, the first fair day the succeeding week, I will seil at my resid near Leesburg, a large lot of HOUSEHOLD AND KITCHEN FURNITURE, consisting of Book, Bodstends and Bedding, Dining and other Tables, hairs, Carpets, Clothes-presses and Wardroves, Book cases, Side-board, Sofa Lounges, Centra-tr ble, Looking-glasses, a large and excellent of h day Clock, (Cordell's) Stoves and Fixture, 1 and and Ovens, Garden and Carpenter's Tools, some School Desks, and other School Furniture; a large lot of Crockery of all kinds, and of all kinds use ful to a family.

2 a 1 will also offer, at the same time, my HOUSE AND GROUNDS, consisting of the

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JAMES S. ROGERS, Treasurer.

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